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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Region V
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Re: Waukegan Manufactured Gas and Coke Plant Site

Dear Mr. Bolen:

We have received your comments regarding the Phase I Technical Memorandum and the proposed modeling for the above-referenced site. We received the nine comments on the modeling on January 18, 1993 and the 51 comments on the Phase I Technical Memorandum on February 8, 1993.

A number of the EPA's comments appear to require no discussion and minimal clarification. These comments will be incorporated into the memoranda as directed in the EPA comments. The comments we have identified which fall into this category are Comments 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 9, 13, 14, 17, 18, 24, 26, 29, 31, 32, 33, 35, 39, 44, 48, and 50 from the February 3, 1993 letter, and Comments 7 and 8 from the January 11, 1993 letter. Many of the other EPA comments will require only clarification and discussion of the EPA's rationale in order for us to properly address them. However, as you had indicated in phone conversations, a number of the comments require discussion of the underlying assumptions and implications in order to decide what form of response is appropriate.

As we agreed, we will meet to discuss the EPA comments at 9:00 a.m. on March 5, 1993 at the EPA offices. We expect the meeting to last all day. The outcomes we anticipate from the meeting are agreement on the scope of the modifications to the Phase I Technical Memorandum and to the modeling memorandum, agreement on the approach that will be taken to resolve any outstanding issues, and an agreement on the schedule for resubmittal of the Phase I Technical Memorandum and the modeling memorandum.

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We look forward to meeting with you on March 5. Please call me if you have any questions.

Yours truly,


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